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A checklist

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A Checklist

Southeast Alaska is a unique place for birding. One can travel within a short distance from the saltwater's edge, through tidemarsh, the dense rain forest dotted with open muskegs, and onto the alpine slopes. This rapid transition affords an unusual wealth of habitats to explore and many birds to identify.

A total of 384 species of birds have been found in Alaska. Of these, 278 have occurred in southeastern Alaska. This checklist includes all species recorded in southeast Alaska between Dixon Entrance and Yakutat through July 1978.

This list is designed to help narrow the identification possibilities in specific habitats at various seasons. The well-illustrated field guides available in most bookstores have pictures of all these birds.

Bird distribution and abundance are not nearly so well known in the area as this list

indicates. We are eager to hear of any observations or comments, however casual. Observations should include the location date, description of field markings, state whether notes were taken in the field or from memory, and names and addresses of observers. Please send observations to Alaska Bird Records; University Museum; University of Alaska; College, Alaska 99701. The University of Alaska Museum serves as a repository for biological records and welcomes noteworthy information.

DEFINITIONS OF TERMS AND SYMBOLS

The checklist which follows uses symbols. Although these may at first seem confusing, they provide much information in little space and allow fast, easy comparisons between seasons and between species.

SEASONAL

Spring migration—The period of migration, not necessarily the same as calendar season.

Summer—Occurrence of any sort, mainly in June and very early in July.

Breeding—The known or suspected occurrence of a bird as a nester.

Fall migration—As with spring, the period of migration, which begins for some birds early in July.

Winter—Occurrence of any sort.

The following symbols are used for FREQUENCY CLASSIFICATION:

- • —Actual nesting not certain.
- *C* —Common.
- *F* —Fairly common.
- *U* —Uncommon.
- *R* —Rare.
- ? —Unverified but probable occurrence.

Although this list suggests a general abundance of birds in southeast Alaska, one frequently has the impression in all seasons that birds are few and far between. For example, a bird listed as fairly common may occur in numbers in one cove and be found nowhere else for many miles. It may be everywhere one spring and rarely seen the next. Thus, the allocation of symbols is arbitrary at best, purely the results of impressions gained by careful observers familiar with the region. They do not represent numerical status but rather the frequency that a given species is seen in relation to related species, unrelated species, or both, using the habitat niches. For example, the bald eagle and barn swallow are both listed as common, even though barn swallows occur in much greater numbers. A bird listed as rare is seen every year but in very small numbers. Often it is a highly specialized species for which very limited habitat exists.

Birds that have been recorded in southeast Alaska but do not occur every year are listed

separately in the "Casual or Accidental Species" list. For these birds, 20 or fewer records have been made in the past century.

HABITAT

The habitat section of the checklist suggests where the various birds may be. But, as with catching fish, it takes a certain knack to find them. The habitat classifications do not represent all the habitats in which a given species might occur, but they give, in general terms, the type in which that species is most likely to occur during most of the year.

The columns are arranged as follows:

Alpine—Areas generally above timberline.

Woodland—Areas of shrubs and trees, including coniferous forests (western hemlock, Sitka spruce), deciduous woodlands, and riparian alder thickets. (Some species, such as Rock Doves, show a preference for human inhabited areas. These are included with woodland habitat and noted with an asterisk.)

Freshwater—Including lakes, ponds, bogs (muskeg), rivers, and streams.

Tidelands—Estuaries and wetlands. Generally large expansive areas where flowing freshwater meets tidal areas and associated tidal flats. These areas are known for high productivity and generally provide a rich source of food.

Shorelands—Contiguous to and including the tidal zone, generally narrow and linear on steep shores.

Saltwater—Including "inside" waters and any contiguous marine areas.

Habitat symbols are noted in the columns:

p —Primary use of this habitat by the species.
s —Secondary use of this habitat by species.
b —Use of this habitat as a breeding site.
? —Unverified but probable use of this habitat.

GEOGRAPHIC

Mainland—Landmass that is part of the continental United States.

Alexander Archipelago—The islands along the mainland of southeast Alaska.

Inshore Waters—Marine areas protected from the open sea by land.

Major Rivers—Unuk, Salmon, Stikine, Taku, Taiya, and Chilkat.

Outer Coast—Areas not protected from the open sea, including waters within 3 nautical miles seaward of all outer coastal points and islands.

Offshore Waters—Gulf of Alaska adjacent to southeast Alaska. Waters seaward of 3 nautical miles compose the offshore habitat. These waters are beyond most shore influences and are essentially pelagic. Oceanic birds usually do not venture in numbers any closer to the coastal areas of the Alexander Archipelago, as compared with birds of the INSHORE WATERS which retain a shore influence with even land birds flying over these expanses of water with some regularity.

Geographic area symbols are noted in the columns:

x —Indicates usual occurrence.
? —Occurrence is not verified but probable.

This list of symbols is produced on the page immediately following the checklist.

Bird Checklist of southeast Alaska

(See text for definitions of terms and symbols)

Season						Habit
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter	Common name of bird	Alpin
					Loons	
F	F	F	F	F	Common Loon	
U	R		R	U	Yellow-billed Loon	
C	U		F	F	Arctic Loon	
F	F	F	F	U	Red-throated Loon	
					Grebes	
C	U		C	F	Red-necked Grebe	
F	?	?	F	U	Horned Grebe	
U	R		U	U	Western Grebe	
	R		R		Pied-billed Grebe	
					Albatrosses	
?	?	?	?		Black-footed Albatross	
R	?		?		Laysan Albatross	
					Shearwaters, Petrels, and Fulmars	
	R	R	R		Northern Fulmar	
	R				Pink-footed Shearwater	
	F				Sooty Shearwater	
	R				Short-tailed Shearwater	
	F	F			Fork-tailed Storm Petrel	
	F	F			Leach's Storm Petrel	
					Cormorants	
U	U	R●	U	U	Double-crested Cormorant	
C	U	U	C	C	Pelagic Cormorant	
					Herons and Bitterns	
F	F	F	F	U	Great Blue Heron	
R	R	●	R		American Bittern	
					Swans, Geese and Ducks	
F			F		Whistling Swan	
U	R	R	U	R	Trumpeter Swan	
C	F	F	C	F	Canada Goose	
U	R		U	R	Brant	
F			F		White-fronted Goose	
U			U		Snow Goose	
C	C	C	C	C	Mallard	
U		R	U	R	Gadwall	
C	U	U●	C	U	Pintail	
C	U	U	C	U	Green-winged Teal	
U	U	U	U		Blue-winged Teal	
R	R				Cinnamon Teal	
U	R	R	U	R	Northern Shoveler	
?	R		?	R	European Wigeon	
F	R	R	F	U	American Wigeon	
U	R	?	U	R	Canvasback	
U	R	?	R	R	Redhead	
U	R	R	U	R	Ring-necked Duck	
F	U	R●	F	F	Greater Scaup	
F	R	R	F	R	Lesser Scaup	
F	U	U	F	F	Common Goldeneye	

Habitat (continued)				Geographic area					
Fresh-water	Tide-lands	Shore-lands	Salt-water	Main-land	Alexan-der Arch-ipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Off-shore waters
pb			p	x	x	x	x	x	
			p			x		x	
			p			x		x	
pb			p	x	x	x	x	x	
			p			x		x	
			p	?	?	x	?	?	
			p			x		x	
p									
			p						x
			p						x
		pb	p						x
			p						x
			p						x
			p						x
		pb	p						x
		pb	p						x
		pb				?	?	x	
		pb	p			x		x	
s	p		s	x	x		x		
							x		
s	p		s	x	x	x	?	x	
sb	p		s	x	x	x		?	
sb	pb	sb	s	x	x	x	x	x	
?	s	?	p	x	x	x	?	x	x
p	p		?	x	x	x	?	?	
p	p		?	x	x	?	x	x	
pb	p		s	x	x	x	x	x	
pb	p		s	x	?	?	?	?	
pb	p		s	x	x	x	x	x	
pb	p		s	x	x	x	x	x	
pb	p			x	?	?	?	?	
p	p		s	x	?	?	?	?	
pb	p		s	x	x	x	x	?	
p	p					x			
pb	p		s	x	x	x	x	?	
p			s	x	?	x	?	?	
p				x	?	?	?	x	
p				x	x	x	x	?	
p			p	x	x	x	?	x	
p			p	x	x	x	x	?	
s	p		p	x	x	x	x	?	

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Season					Common name of bird	Habitat	Habitat (continued)					Geographic area					
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter		Alpine	Woodland	Freshwater	Tidelands	Shorelands	Saltwater	Mainland	Alexander Archipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Offshore waters
					Loons												
F	F	F	F	F	Common Loon			pb			p	x	x	x	x	x	
U	R		R	U	Yellow-billed Loon						p			x		x	
C	U		F	F	Arctic Loon						p			x		x	
F	F	F	F	U	Red-throated Loon			pb			p	x	x	x	x	x	
					Grebes												
C	U		C	F	Red-necked Grebe						p			x		x	
F	?	?	F	U	Horned Grebe						p	?	?	x	?	?	
U	R		U	U	Western Grebe						p			x		x	
	R		R		Pied-billed Grebe			p									
					Albatrosses												
?	?	?	?		Black-footed Albatross						p						x
R	?		?		Laysan Albatross						p						x
					Shearwaters, Petrels, and Fulmars												
	R	R	R		Northern Fulmar					pb	p						x
	R				Pink-footed Shearwater						p						x
	F				Sooty Shearwater						p						x
	R				Short-tailed Shearwater						p						x
	F	F			Fork-tailed Storm Petrel					pb	p						x
	F	F			Leach's Storm Petrel					pb	p						x
					Cormorants												
U	U	R●	U	U	Double-crested Cormorant					pb				?	?	x	
C	U	U	C	C	Pelagic Cormorant					pb	p			x		x	
					Herons and Bitterns												
F	F	F	F	U	Great Blue Heron		pb	s	p		s	x	x		x		
R	R	●	R		American Bittern										x		
					Swans, Geese and Ducks												
F			F		Whistling Swan			s	p		s	x	x	x	?	x	
U	R	R	U	R	Trumpeter Swan			sb	p		s	x	x	x		?	
C	F	F	C	F	Canada Goose			sb	pb	sb	s	x	x	x	x	x	
U	R		U	R	Brant			?	s	?	p	x	x	x	?	x	x
F			F		White-fronted Goose			p	p		?	x	x	x	?	?	
U			U		Snow Goose			p	p		?	x	x	?	x	x	
C	C	C	C	C	Mallard			pb	p		s	x	x	x	x	x	
U		R	U	R	Gadwall			pb	p		s	x	?	?	?	?	
C	U	U●	C	U	Pintail			pb	p		s	x	x	x	x	x	
C	U	U	C	U	Green-winged Teal			pb	p		s	x	x	x	x	x	
U	U	U	U		Blue-winged Teal			pb	p			x	?	?	?	?	
R	R				Cinnamon Teal			p	p		s	x	?	?	?	?	
U	R	R	U	R	Northern Shoveler			pb	p		s	x	x	x	x	?	
?	R		?	R	European Wigeon			p	p					x			
F	R	R	F	U	American Wigeon			pb	p		s	x	x	x	x	?	
U	R	?	U	R	Canvasback			p			s	x	?	x	?	?	
U	R	?	R	R	Redhead			p				x	?	?	?	x	
U	R	R	U	R	Ring-necked Duck			p				x	x	x	x	?	
F	U	R●	F	F	Greater Scaup			p			p	x	x	x	?	x	
F	R	R	F	R	Lesser Scaup			p			p	x	x	x	x	?	
F	U	U	F	F	Common Goldeneye			s	p		p	x	x	x	x	?	

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Bird checklist of southeast Alaska—Continued

Season					Common name of bird	Habitat
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter		Alpine
					Swans, Geese and Ducks —Continued	
C	U	U	C	C	Barrow's Goldeneye	
F	U	●	F	F	Bufflehead	
C	U		C	C	Oldsquaw	
F	F	F	F	F	Harlequin Duck	
R	R	R	R	R	Common Eider	
C	C	R●	C	C	White-winged Scoter	
C	C	R●	C	C	Surf Scoter	
U	U		U	U	Black Scoter	
U	U	U	U	R	Hooded Merganser	
C	U	U	C	F	Common Merganser	
F	F	F	F	F	Red-breasted Merganser	
					Hawks, Eagles, and Harriers	
U	U	U	U	U	Goshawk	s
F	U	U	F	U	Sharp-shinned Hawk	s
U	U	U●	U	U	Red-tailed Hawk	
U			U		Rough-legged Hawk	s
R	R		R	U	Golden Eagle	p
C	C	C	C	C	Bald Eagle	s
F	R		F		Marsh Hawk	s
					Ospreys	
U	U	U	U		Osprey	
					Falcons	
U			U	R	Gyrfalcon	p
U	U	U●	U		Peregrine Falcon	s
U	R	R	U		Merlin	p
F		●	F		American Kestrel	s
					Grouse and Ptarmigans	
C	C	C	C	C	Blue Grouse	s
U	U	U	U	U	Willow Ptarmigan	
C	C	C	C	C	Rock Ptarmigan	pb
U	U	U	U	U	White-tailed Ptarmigan	pb
					Cranes	
U	R	R●	U		Sandhill Crane	
					Coots	
R	R		R		Sora	
R			R	R	American Coot	
					Oystercatchers	
U	U	U	U	R	Black Oystercatcher	
					Plovers	
F	F	F	F		Semipalmated Plover	
F	U	U	F	R	Killdeer	
U			U		American Golden Plover	
F			F		Black-bellied Plover	
					Sandpipers	
R	R				Hudsonian Godwit	
U			U		Whimbrel	
C	F	F	C		Greater Yellowlegs	
F	R	R●	F		Lesser Yellowlegs	

Habitat (continued)				Geographic area					
Fresh-water	Tide-lands	Shore-lands	Salt-water	Main-land	Alexan-der Arch-ipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Off-shore waters
s	p		p	x	x	x	?	x	
s	p		p	x	x	x	?	x	
	?		p			x	?	x	
sb			p	x	x	x		x	
			p			x			
	s		p			x		x	
	s		p			x		x	
			p			x		x	
p				x	x	?	x	?	
p	s		p	x	x	x	x	x	
p	p		p	x	x	x	?	x	
				x	x		?		
	s	s		x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	?		x		
				x	x		?		
p	p	p	p	x	x	x	x	x	
	p	s		x	x		x		
p	p	p	p	x	x	x	?	x	
	s			x	?		?	?	
p	p	p		x	x		?	x	
s	s			x	x		?		
	p			x	x		x	x	
				x	x		x		
				x	x		?		
				x	x		?		
				x			?		
p	p			x	x		?		
x	x			x			?		
p				x	x		?		
		pb		x	x			x	
	p	p		x	x		x	?	
s	s	p		x	x		x	x	
	p	p		x	x		?	x	
	p	p		x	x		?	x	
	p	s		x	?		?	?	
	p	p		x	x		?	x	
pb	p	p		x	x		?	x	
p	p	p		x	x		x	x	

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Bird checklist of southeast Alaska—Continued

Season					Common name of bird	Habitat	Habitat (continued)					Geographic area					
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter		Alpine	Woodland	Freshwater	Tidelands	Shorelands	Saltwater	Mainland	Alexander Archipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Offshore waters
					Swans, Geese and Ducks —Continued												
C	U	U	C	C	Barrow's Goldeneye			s	p		p	x	x	x	?	x	
F	U	●	F	F	Bufflehead			s	p		p	x	x	x	?	x	
C	U		C	C	Oldsquaw				?		p			x	?	x	
F	F	F	F	F	Harlequin Duck			sb			p	x	x	x		x	
R	R	R	R	R	Common Eider						p			x			
C	C	R●	C	C	White-winged Scoter				s		p			x		x	
C	C	R●	C	C	Surf Scoter				s		p			x		x	
U	U		U	U	Black Scoter						p			x		x	
U	U	U	U	R	Hooded Merganser			p				x	x	?	x	?	
C	U	U	C	F	Common Merganser			p	s		p	x	x	x	x	x	
F	F	F	F	F	Red-breasted Merganser			p	p		p	x	x	x	?	x	
					Hawks, Eagles, and Harriers												
U	U	U	U	U	Goshawk	s	pb					x	x		?		
F	U	U	F	U	Sharp-shinned Hawk	s	pb		s	s		x	x		x		
U	U	U●	U	U	Red-tailed Hawk		p					x	x		x		
U			U		Rough-legged Hawk	s	s					x	?		x		
R	R		R	U	Golden Eagle	p	s					x	x		?		
C	C	C	C	C	Bald Eagle	s	pb	p	p	p	p	x	x	x	x	x	
F	R		F		Marsh Hawk	s			p	s		x	x		x		
					Ospreys												
U	U	U	U		Osprey			p	p	p	p	x	x	x	?	x	
					Falcons												
U			U	R	Gyrfalcon	p			s			x	?		?	?	
U	U	U●	U		Peregrine Falcon	s	s	p	p	p		x	x		?	x	
U	R	R	U		Merlin	p	p	s	s			x	x		?		
F		●	F		American Kestrel	s	s		p			x	x		x	x	
					Grouse and Ptarmigans												
C	C	C	C	C	Blue Grouse	s	pb					x	x		x		
U	U	U	U	U	Willow Ptarmigan		pb					x	x		?		
C	C	C	C	C	Rock Ptarmigan	pb	s					x	x		?		
U	U	U	U	U	White-tailed Ptarmigan	pb						x			?		
					Cranes												
U	R	R●	U		Sandhill Crane			p	p			x	x		?		
					Coots												
R	R		R		Sora			x	x			x			?		
R			R	R	American Coot			p				x	x		?		
					Oystercatchers												
U	U	U	U	R	Black Oystercatcher					pb		x	x			x	
					Plovers												
F	F	F	F		Semipalmated Plover				p	p		x	x		x	?	
F	U	U	F	R	Killdeer			s	s	p		x	x		x	x	
U			U		American Golden Plover				p	p		x	x		?	x	
F			F		Black-bellied Plover				p	p		x	x		?	x	
					Sandpipers												
R	R				Hudsonian Godwit				p	s		x	?		?	?	
U			U		Whimbrel				p	p		x	x		?	x	
C	F	F	C		Greater Yellowlegs			pb	p	p		x	x		?	x	
F	R	R●	F		Lesser Yellowlegs			p	p	p		x	x		x	x	

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Bird checklist of southeast Alaska—Continued

Season					Common name of bird	Habitat
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter		Alpine
					Sandpipers—Continued	
U	R	R	U		Solitary Sandpiper	
C	C	C	C		Spotted Sandpiper	
U	R		U		Wandering Tattler	?
U			U		Ruddy Turnstone	
F	R	R	F	R	Black Turnstone	
C			C	R	Northern Phalarope	
R			R		Red Phalarope	
F	F	F	F	U	Common Snipe	
F			F		Short-billed Dowitcher	
U			U		Long-billed Dowitcher	
U	R		U	R	Surfbird	
R					Red Knot	
U	R		U	R	Sanderling	
U			U		Semipalmated Sandpiper	
C	R		C		Western Sandpiper	
C	U	U	C		Least Sandpiper	
U			U		Baird's Sandpiper	$
F	R		F		Pectoral Sandpiper	
R			R		Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	
C			C	C	Rock Sandpiper	
C			C	F	Dunlin	
R			R		Stilt Sandpiper	
					Jaegers	
R			R		Pomarine Jaeger	
U	R	R	U		Parasitic Jaeger	
	R		R		Long-tailed Jaeger	
					Gulls and Terns	
R				R	Glaucous Gull	
C	C	C	C	C	Glaucous-winged Gull	
C	F	R	C	F	Herring Gull	
C			C	U	Thayer's Gull	
C	C	U	C	C	Mew Gull	
C	F	R	C		Bonaparte's Gull	
U	U	U	U	U	Black-legged Kittiwake	
R			R		Sabine's Gull	
F	F	F	F		Arctic Tern	
?	R	R	?		Aleutian Tern	
					Alcids	
C	F	F	C	C	Common Murre	
				?	Thick-billed Murre	
C	C	C	C	C	Pigeon Guillemot	
C	C	C*	C	C	Marbled Murrelet	
U	U	U	U	U	Kittlitz's Murrelet	
U	U	U	U	U	Ancient Murrelet	
R	U	U	R	U	Cassin's Auklet	
R					Parakeet Auklet	
U	U	U	U		Rhinoceros Auklet	
R	R	R	R	R	Horned Puffin	
R	R	R	R	R	Tufted Puffin	

Habitat (continued)				Geographic area					
Fresh-water	Tide-lands	Shore-lands	Salt-water	Main-land	Alexan-der Arch-ipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Off-shore waters
p	s			x	x		x	?	
pb	s	s		x	x		x	?	
?		s		x	x		?	x	
	p	p		x	x		?	x	
	p	p		x	x		?	x	
s			p	x	x	x		x	x
			p			x			x
pb	s			x	x		x	?	
p	p	p		x	x		?	x	
p	p	p		x	x		?	x	
	p	p		x	x			x	
	p				x			x	
	p	p		x	x			x	
	p	s		x	?		x	?	
s	p	s		x	x		?	x	
sb	p	s		x	x		x	x	
p	p	s		x	x		?	x	
s	p	s		x	x		?	x	
?	p	s		x	x		?	?	
	p	p		x	x			x	
s	p	s		x	x		?	x	
?	s	?			?		?	?	
			p						x
			p			x			x
			p						x
	s		p	x	x	x		x	?
p	p	pb	p	x	x	x	x	x	
s	p	p	p	x	x	x	x	x	
	p	p	p	x	x	x		x	
	p	p	p	x	x	x	x	x	
s	p	p	p	x	x	x	x	x	
	s	s	p	x	x	x		x	x
			p			x		x	x
pb	p	p	p	x	x	x	x	x	x
	?	?	p	?	?	?	?	?	?
			p			x		x	x
			p			x		x	x
			p			x		x	x
			p			x		x	x
			p			x		x	x
			p					x	x
			p			x		x	x
			p					x	x
			p			x		x	x
		sb	p					x	x
		sb	p			x		x	x

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Season					Common name of bird	Habitat	Habitat (continued)					Geographic area					
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter		Alpine	Woodland	Freshwater	Tidelands	Shorelands	Saltwater	Mainland	Alexander Archipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Offshore waters
					Sandpipers—Continued												
U	R	R	U		Solitary Sandpiper		p	p	s			x	x		x	?	
C	C	C	C		Spotted Sandpiper			pb	s	s		x	x		x	?	
U	R		U		Wandering Tattler	?		?		s		x	x		?	x	
U			U		Ruddy Turnstone				p	p		x	x		?	x	
F	R	R	F	R	Black Turnstone				p	p		x	x		?	x	
C			C	R	Northern Phalarope			s			p	x	x	x		x	x
R			R		Red Phalarope						p			x			x
F	F	F	F	U	Common Snipe			pb	s			x	x		x	?	
F			F		Short-billed Dowitcher			p	p	p		x	x		?	x	
U			U		Long-billed Dowitcher			p	p	p		x	x		?	x	
U	R		U	R	Surfbird				p	p		x	x			x	
R					Red Knot				p				x			x	
U	R		U	R	Sanderling				p	p		x	x			x	
U			U		Semipalmated Sandpiper				p	s		x	?		x	?	
C	R		C		Western Sandpiper			s	p	s		x	x		?	x	
C	U	U	C		Least Sandpiper			sb	p	s		x	x		x	x	
U			U		Baird's Sandpiper	s		p	p	s		x	x		?	x	
F	R		F		Pectoral Sandpiper			s	p	s		x	x		?	x	
R			R		Sharp-tailed Sandpiper			?	p	s		x	x		?	?	
C			C	C	Rock Sandpiper				p	p		x	x			x	
C			C	F	Dunlin			s	p	s		x	x		?	x	
R			R		Stilt Sandpiper			?	s	?			?		?	?	
					Jaegers												
R			R		Pomarine Jaeger						p						x
U	R	R	U		Parasitic Jaeger						p			x			x
	R		R		Long-tailed Jaeger						p						x
					Gulls and Terns												
R				R	Glaucous Gull				s		p	x	x	x		x	?
C	C	C	C	C	Glaucous-winged Gull			p	p	pb	p	x	x	x	x	x	
C	F	R	C	F	Herring Gull			s	p	p	p	x	x	x	x	x	
C			C	U	Thayer's Gull				p	p	p	x	x	x		x	
C	C	U	C	C	Mew Gull				p	p	p	x	x	x	x	x	
C	F	R	C		Bonaparte's Gull			s	p	p	p	x	x	x	x	x	
U	U	U	U	U	Black-legged Kittiwake				s	s	p	x	x	x		x	x
R			R		Sabine's Gull						p			x		x	x
F	F	F	F		Arctic Tern			pb	p	p	p	x	x	x	x	x	x
?	R	R	?		Aleutian Tern				?	?	p	?	?	?	?	?	?
					Alcids												
C	F	F	C	C	Common Murre						p			x		x	x
				?	Thick-billed Murre						p			x		x	x
C	C	C	C	C	Pigeon Guillemot						p			x		x	x
C	C	C●	C	C	Marbled Murrelet						p			x		x	x
U	U	U	U	U	Kittlitz's Murrelet						p			x		x	x
U	U	U	U	U	Ancient Murrelet						p					x	x
R	U	U	R	U	Cassin's Auklet						p			x		x	x
R					Parakeet Auklet						p					x	x
U	U	U	U		Rhinoceros Auklet						p			x		x	x
R	R	R	R	R	Horned Puffin					sb	p					x	x
R	R	R	R	R	Tufted Puffin					sb	p			x		x	x

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Season					Common name of bird	Habitat
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter		Alpine
					Pigeons and Doves	
R	R	R●	R		Band-tailed Pigeon	
F	F	F	F	F	Rock Dove	
R	R	R●	U		Mourning Dove	
					Owls	
R	R	R●	R	R	Screech Owl	
F	F	F	F	F	Great Horned Owl	
				U	Snowy Owl	s
U			U	U	Hawk Owl	
R			R	R	Pygmy Owl	
R	R	R	R	R	Great Gray Owl	
F	R		F	U	Short-eared Owl	
				U	Boreal Owl	
U	U	U	U	U	Saw-whet Owl	
					Nighthawks	
	R		R		Common Nighthawk	
					Swifts	
R	R	R●	R		Black Swift	
U	U		U		Vaux's Swift	
					Hummingbirds	
C	C	C	C	R	Rufous Hummingbird	s
					Kingfisher	
F	F	F	F	F	Belted Kingfisher	
					Woodpeckers	
					Common Flicker	
U	U	U	U		"Yellow-shafted"	
U	U	U	U		"Red-shafted"	
U	U	U	U	R	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	
U	U	U	U	U	Hairy Woodpecker	
U	U	U	U	U	Downy Woodpecker	
R			R		Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker	
U	U	U	U	U	Northern Three-toed Woodpecker	
					Flycatchers	
R	R	R●	R		Say's Phoebe	p
U	U	U●	U		Alder Flycatcher	
U	U	U●	U		Hammond's Flycatcher	
C	C	C	C		Western Flycatcher	
U	U	U	U		Western Wood Pewee	
U	U	U●	U		Olive-sided Flycatcher	
					Larks	
U	R	●	U		Horned Lark	
					Swallows	
F	U	U	F		Violet-green Swallow	
C	C	C	C		Tree Swallow	
U	U	U	U		Bank Swallow	s
R	R	R			Rough-winged Swallow	
C	C	C	C		Barn Swallow	s
R	R	R	R		Cliff Swallow	

Habitat (continued)				Geographic area					
Fresh-water	Tide-lands	Shore-lands	Salt-water	Main-land	Alexan-der Arch-ipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Off-shore waters
				?	?		x		
				x	?				
				x	x		x		
				x	x		?		
	p			x	x		x		
				x	x		?		
				x	x		?		
				x	x		?		
p	p			x	x		x		
				x	x		?		
				x	x		?		
				x			x		
				x			x		
				x			x		
s	s			x	x		x		
pb	s	pb		x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	?		?		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		?		
p				x	x		x		
				x	?		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	?		x		
				x	x		x		
	p	p		x	?		?		
p	p	p		x	x		x		
p	p	s		x	x		x		
pb	s			x	?		x		
				x	x				
p	s			x	x		x		
p	s			x	?		?		

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Season					Common name of bird	Habitat	Habitat (continued)					Geographic area					
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter		Alpine	Wood-land	Fresh-water	Tide-lands	Shore-lands	Salt-water	Main-land	Alexan-der Arch-ipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Off-shore waters
					Pigeons and Doves												
R	R	R●	R		Band-tailed Pigeon		p					?	?		x		
F	F	F	F	F	Rock Dove		●b					x	?				
R	R	R●	U		Mourning Dove		p					x	x		x		
					Owls												
R	R	R●	R	R	Screech Owl		p					x	x		?		
F	F	F	F	F	Great Horned Owl		pb					x	x		?		
				U	Snowy Owl	s			p			x	x		x		
U			U	U	Hawk Owl		p					x	x		?		
R			R	R	Pygmy Owl		pb					x	x		?		
R	R	R	R	R	Great Gray Owl		pb					x	x		?		
F	R		F	U	Short-eared Owl			p	p			x	x		x		
				U	Boreal Owl		p					x	x		?		
U	U	U	U	U	Saw-whet Owl		pb					x	x		?		
					Nighthawks												
	R		R		Common Nighthawk		p					x			x		
					Swifts												
R	R	R●	R		Black Swift		p					x			x		
U	U		U		Vaux's Swift		p					x			x		
					Hummingbirds												
C	C	C	C	R	Rufous Hummingbird	s	p	s	s			x	x		x		
					Kingfisher												
F	F	F	F	F	Belted Kingfisher			pb	s	pb		x	x		x		
					Woodpeckers												
					Common Flicker												
U	U	U	U		"Yellow-shafted"		pb					x	x		x		
U	U	U	U		"Red-shafted"		pb					x	x		x		
U	U	U	U	R	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker		pb					x	x		x		
U	U	U	U	U	Hairy Woodpecker		pb					x	x		x		
U	U	U	U	U	Downy Woodpecker		pb					x	x		x		
R			R		Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker		p					x	?		?		
U	U	U	U	U	Northern Three-toed Woodpecker		pb					x	x		x		
					Flycatchers												
R	R	R●	R		Say's Phoebe	p						x	x		?		
U	U	U●	U		Alder Flycatcher		p	p				x	x		x		
U	U	U●	U		Hammond's Flycatcher		p					x	?		x		
C	C	C	C		Western Flycatcher		pb					x	x		x		
U	U	U	U		Western Wood Pewee		p					x	?		x		
U	U	U●	U		Olive-sided Flycatcher		p					x	x		x		
					Larks												
U	R	●	U		Horned Lark				p	p		x	?		?		
					Swallows												
F	U	U	F		Violet-green Swallow		p	p	p	p		x	x		x		
C	C	C	C		Tree Swallow		pb	p	p	s		x	x		x		
U	U	U	U		Bank Swallow	s	pb	pb	s			x	?		x		
R	R	R			Rough-winged Swallow		p					x	x				
C	C	C	C		Barn Swallow	s	pb	p	s			x	x		x		
R	R	R	R		Cliff Swallow		p	p	s			x	?		?		

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Season					Common name of bird	Habitat
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter		Alpine
					Jays and Crows	
				R	Gray Jay	
F	F	F	F	F	Steller's Jay	
U	R		F	U	Black-billed Magpie	
C	C	C	C	C	Common Raven	p
C	C	C	C	C	Northwestern Crow	
					Chickadees	
U	U	U●	U	U	Black-capped Chickadee	
C	C	C	C	C	Chestnut-backed Chickadee	
					Nuthatches	
U	U	U	U	U	Red-breasted Nuthatch	
					Creepers	
U	U	U	U	U	Brown Creeper	
					Dippers	
F	F	F	F	F	Dipper	
					Wrens	
C	C	C	C	C	Winter Wren	
					Thrushes	
C	C	C	C	U	American Robin	s
C	C	C	C	U	Varied Thrush	s
C	C	C	C		Hermit Thrush	s
F	F	F	F		Swainson's Thrush	
R	R	R	R		Gray-cheeked Thrush	
R			R		Mountain Bluebird	
			R		Wheatear	p
R	R	R●	R	R	Townsend's Solitaire	
					Kinglets	
F	F	F	F	U	Golden-crowned Kinglet	
C	C	C	C		Ruby-crowned Kinglet	
					Pipits	
C	F	F	C		Water Pipit	pb
					Waxwings	
F	R	R●	F	C	Bohemian Waxwing[1]	
U	U	U●	U	R	Cedar Waxwing	
					Shrikes	
F			F	F	Northern Shrike	s
					Starlings	
U	U	U	U	U	Starling	
					Vireos	
U	U	U●	U		Warbling Vireo	
					Wood Warblers	
C	C	C	C		Orange-crowned Warbler	
F	F	F	F		Yellow Warbler	
					Yellow-rumped Warbler	
C	F	F	C		"Myrtle"	
R	R	R	R		"Audubon's"	
C	C	C	C		Townsend's Warbler	
R			R		Blackpoll Warbler	
R	R	R	R		Northern Waterthrush	
U	U	U	U		MacGillivray's Warbler	

[1]Annual but irregular in frequency.

Habitat (continued)				Geographic area					
Fresh-water	Tide-lands	Shore-lands	Salt-water	Main-land	Alexan-der Arch-ipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Off-shore waters
				x	?		?		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		?		
s	s	s		x	x		x		
	p	p	s	x	x		x		
				x			x		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
pb	s			x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
	s			x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	?		x		
				x	?		?		
				x					
				x	?		?		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
ps	s	s		x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
	s			x	x		?		
				x	x		x		
	p						x		
p	s			x	x		x		
s				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	?		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	?		?		
p				x	?		x		
?				x	x		x		

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Season					Common name of bird	Habitat	Habitat (continued)					Geographic area					
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter		Alpine	Wood-land	Fresh-water	Tide-lands	Shore-lands	Salt-water	Main-land	Alexan-der Arch-ipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Off-shore waters
					Jays and Crows												
				R	Gray Jay		p					x	?		?		
F	F	F	F	F	Steller's Jay		p					x	x		x		
U	R		F	U	Black-billed Magpie		p					x	x		?		
C	C	C	C	C	Common Raven	p	pb	s	s	s		x	x		x		
C	C	C	C	C	Northwestern Crow		pb		p	p	s	x	x		x		
					Chickadees												
U	U	U●	U	U	Black-capped Chickadee		p					x			x		
C	C	C	C	C	Chestnut-backed Chickadee		pb					x	x		x		
					Nuthatches												
U	U	U	U	U	Red-breasted Nuthatch		pb					x	x		x		
					Creepers												
U	U	U	U	U	Brown Creeper		pb					x	x		x		
					Dippers												
F	F	F	F	F	Dipper			pb	s			x	x		x		
					Wrens												
C	C	C	C	C	Winter Wren		pb					x	x		x		
					Thrushes												
C	C	C	C	U	American Robin	s	pb		s			x	x		x		
C	C	C	C	U	Varied Thrush	s	pb					x	x		x		
C	C	C	C		Hermit Thrush	s	pb					x	x		x		
F	F	F	F		Swainson's Thrush		pb					x	x		x		
R	R	R	R		Gray-cheeked Thrush		pb					x	?		x		
R			R		Mountain Bluebird							x	?		?		
			R		Wheatear	p						x					
R	R	R●	R	R	Townsend's Solitaire							x	?		?		
					Kinglets												
F	F	F	F	U	Golden-crowned Kinglet		pb					x	x		x		
C	C	C	C		Ruby-crowned Kinglet		pb					x	x		x		
					Pipits												
C	F	F	C		Water Pipit	pb		ps	s	s		x	x		x		
					Waxwings												
F	R	R●	F	C	Bohemian Waxwing[1]		p					x	x		x		
U	U	U●	U	R	Cedar Waxwing		p					x	x		x		
					Shrikes												
F			F	F	Northern Shrike	s	p		s			x	x		?		
					Starlings												
U	U	U	U	U	Starling		p					x	x		x		
					Vireos												
U	U	U●	U		Warbling Vireo		pb		p						x		
					Wood Warblers												
C	C	C	C		Orange-crowned Warbler		pb	p	s			x	x		x		
F	F	F	F		Yellow Warbler		pb	s				x	x		x		
					Yellow-rumped Warbler												
C	F	F	C		"Myrtle"		pb					x	x		x		
R	R	R	R		"Audubon's"		p					x	?		x		
C	C	C	C		Townsend's Warbler		pb					x	x		x		
R			R		Blackpoll Warbler		p					x	?		?		
R	R	R	R		Northern Waterthrush		p	p				x	?		x		
U	U	U	U		MacGillivray's Warbler		p	?				x	x		x		

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Season					Common name of bird	Habit
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter		Alpin
					Wood Warblers—Continued	
U	U	U	U		Common Yellowthroat	
C	C	C	C		Wilson's Warbler	
U	U	U	U		American Redstart	
					Blackbirds	
U	U	U	U	R	Red-winged Blackbird	
U	R	R	U	R	Rusty Blackbird	
R	R	R●	R		Brown-headed Cowbird	
					Tanagers	
U	U	U●	U		Western Tanager	
					Sparrows	
F	U	U	F	F	Pine Grosbeak	
F	F	F	F	U	Gray-crowned Rosy Finch	pt
				R	Hoary Redpoll	
C	U	U	C	C	Common Redpoll[1]	
C	C	C	C	C	Pine Siskin	
F	F	F	F	F	Red Crossbill[1]	
F	F	F	F	F	White-winged Crossbill[1]	
C	C	C	C		Savannah Sparrow	pt
					Dark-eyed Junco	
U			U	F	"Slate-colored"	
C	C	C	C	C	"Oregon"	
F			F	U	Tree Sparrow	
R	R	R	R		Chipping Sparrow	
R			R	R	Harris' Sparrow	
F			U	R	White-crowned Sparrow	
C	C	U	C	R	Golden-crowned Sparrow	pt
F	F	F	F	U	Fox Sparrow	
C	C	C	C		Lincoln's Sparrow	
C	C	C	C	U	Song Sparrow	
F			F		Lapland Longspur	s
R			R		Smith's Longspur	?
U	U	U	U	U	Snow Bunting	p

[1]Annual but irregular in frequency.

Habitat (continued)				Geographic area					
Fresh-water	Tide-lands	Shore-lands	Salt-water	Main-land	Alexan-der Arch-ipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Off-shore waters
p				x	x		x		
s				x	x		x		
				x	?		x		
pb	s			x	x		x		
p				x	x		x		
?				x	x		?		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	x				
				x	?		?		
				x	x		?		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
				x	x		x		
p	p	pb		x	x		x		
p				x	?		?		
p				x	x		x		
s				x	x		?		
s				x	?		x		
				x					
p				x	x		?		
p				x	x		x		
s				x	x		x		
s				x	x		x		
s		pb		x	x		x		
	p	p		x	x		?		
				x	?		?		
	p	p		x	x		?		

Bird checklist of southeast Alaska—Continued

Season					Common name of bird	Habitat	Habitat (continued)					Geographic area					
Spring	Summer	Breeding	Fall	Winter		Alpine	Woodland	Freshwater	Tidelands	Shorelands	Saltwater	Mainland	Alexander Archipelago	Inshore waters	Major rivers	Outer coast	Offshore waters
					Wood Warblers—Continued												
U	U	U	U		Common Yellowthroat			p				x	x		x		
C	C	C	C		Wilson's Warbler		pb	s				x	x		x		
U	U	U	U		American Redstart		p					x	?		x		
					Blackbirds												
U	U	U	U	R	Red-winged Blackbird			pb	s			x	x		x		
U	R	R	U	R	Rusty Blackbird		p	p				x	x		x		
R	R	R●	R		Brown-headed Cowbird		p	?				x	x		?		
					Tanagers												
U	U	U●	U		Western Tanager							x	x		x		
					Sparrows												
F	U	U	F	F	Pine Grosbeak		pb					x	x		x		
F	F	F	F	U	Gray-crowned Rosy Finch	pb	s					x	x				
				R	Hoary Redpoll		p					x	?		?		
C	U	U	C	C	Common Redpoll[1]		p					x	x		?		
C	C	C	C	C	Pine Siskin		pb					x	x		x		
F	F	F	F	F	Red Crossbill[1]		pb					x	x		x		
F	F	F	F	F	White-winged Crossbill[1]		pb					x	x		x		
C	C	C	C		Savannah Sparrow	pb		p	p	pb		x	x		x		
					Dark-eyed Junco												
U			U	F	"Slate-colored"		p	p				x	?		?		
C	C	C	C	C	"Oregon"		pb	p				x	x		x		
F			F	U	Tree Sparrow		p	s				x	x		?		
R	R	R	R		Chipping Sparrow		p	s				x	?		x		
R			R	R	Harris' Sparrow		p					x					
F			U	R	White-crowned Sparrow		p	p				x	x		?		
C	C	U	C	R	Golden-crowned Sparrow	pb	s	p				x	x		x		
F	F	F	F	U	Fox Sparrow		pb	s				x	x		x		
C	C	C	C		Lincoln's Sparrow		pb	s				x	x		x		
C	C	C	C	U	Song Sparrow		s	s		pb		x	x		x		
F			F		Lapland Longspur	s			p	p		x	x		?		
R			R		Smith's Longspur	?						x	?		?		
U	U	U	U	U	Snow Bunting	p			p	p		x	x		?		

[1]Annual but irregular in frequency.

FREQUENCY CLASSIFICATIONS

SEASONAL SYMBOLS

● —Actual nesting not certain.
C —Common.
F —Fairly common.
U —Uncommon.
R —Rare.
? —Unverified but probable occurrence.

HABITAT SYMBOLS

p —Primary use of this habitat by the species.
s —Secondary use of this habitat by species.
b —Use of this habitat as a breeding site.
? —Unverified but probable use of this habitat.

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SYMBOLS

x —Indicates usual occurrence.
? —Occurrence is not verified but probable.

CASUAL OR ACCIDENTAL SPECIES

Eared Grebe
Flesh-footed Shearwater
Scaled Petrel
Brandt's Cormorant
Snowy Egret
Emperor Goose
Ross' Goose
Black Duck
Wood Duck
Steller's Eider
King Eider
Spectacled Eider
Ruddy Duck
Swainson's Hawk
Spruce Grouse
Ruffed Grouse
Bar-tailed Godwit
Marbled Godwit
Bristle-thighed Curlew
Upland Sandpiper
Wilson's Phalarope
Rufous-necked Sandpiper
Buff-breasted Sandpiper
South Polar Skua
California Gull
Ring-billed Gull
Ivory Gull
Black Tern
Least Auklet
Barred Owl

Long-eared Owl
Whip-poor-will
Anna's Hummingbird
Calliope Hummingbird
Eastern Kingbird
Clark's Nutcracker
Mountain Chickadee
Boreal Chickadee
White Wagtail
Crested Myna
Red-eyed Vireo
Tennessee Warbler
Magnolia Warbler
Cape May Warbler
Black-throated Green Warbler
Western Meadowlark
Yellow-headed Blackbird
Brewer's Blackbird
Common Grackle
Brambling
Evening Grosbeak
Bullfinch
Purple Finch
Cassin's Finch
White-throated Sparrow

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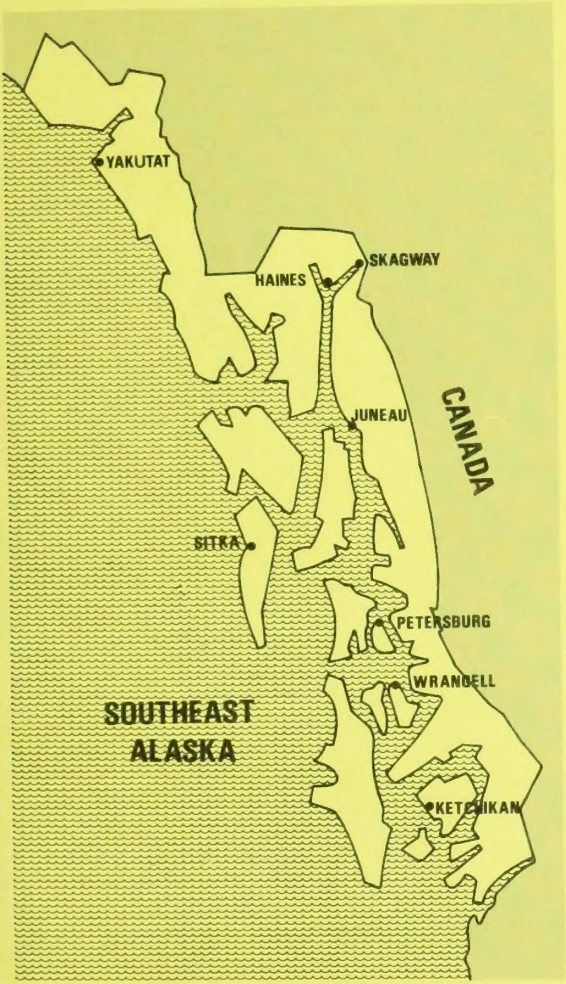

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